

Andrews May Go to U.S. Court

Rotund lawyer Dean Andrews Jr. pleaded innocent for the second time today to charges that he lied before an Orleans Parish Grand Jury investigating an alleged conspiracy to assassinate President John F. Kennedy.

Immediately after the formal arraignment in Criminal District Court, his attorney hinted that Andrews may go into federal courts to charge Orleans authorities with violating his civil rights.

A bip-talking, one-time assistant district attorney in Jefferson Parish, Andrews was reindicted by the grand jury last week in an 11-foot long document which quoted 2,000 words of testimony.

TODAY HIS LAWYER, Sam Monk Zelden, called the second indictment "just as bad as the other one" which Zelden sought to strike down in a hearing preempted when the second charge came down.

The indictment filed Thursday centered on questioning of Andrews about a telephone call from the mysterious Clay Bertrand, who asked Andrews to defend Lee Harvey Oswald.

Oswald was identified by the Warren Commission as President Kennedy's lone assassin.

An assistant district attorney asked if Andrews could connect Bertrand and 54-year-old Clay L. Shaw, the only

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man Dist. Atty. Jim Garrison has charged with complicity in Kennedy's murder.

Andrews said he could not identify Bertrand as Shaw, and added that Shaw appeared to be taller than the man he knew as Bertrand.

ZELDEN SAID, "WE'RE just thinking about" going into federal court. But he said possible action there might concern "violation of civil rights and other matters pertaining thereto."

As usual, Andrews wore his dark glasses this morning when Judge Frank Shea mounted the bench of Criminal District Court 27 minutes ahead of schedule.

Zelden waived the reading of the indictment, pleaded Andrews innocent and asked for 10 days in which to file special pleadings. He was given until May 1.

Outside the courtroom, Zelden answered reporters' questions and quipped, "As strange as it may seem, Mr. Andrews has nothing to say today."

Andrews, whose loquacity usually is matched only by his penchant for jet-age slang, chuckled.

Zelden said there were many inconsistencies in the indictment against Andrews, and added that the accusation "doesn't say in what respect the accused is supposed to have perjured himself."

IN OTHER action in Garrison's probe today, legal papers were in the mails on their way to Ohio, seeking the return of Gordon Növel to Louisiana.

Novel, sought as a witness in the probe, is free on bond in Columbus. Acting Gov. C. C. "Taddy" Aycock signed the extradition papers for his return late yesterday.

The extradition papers are based not on a fugitive material witness charge, which is not a basis for extradition in Ohio, but on a charge of conspiracy to burglarize a Houma munitions bunker in 1961.

Today was also the day that

Sandra Moffett, a one-time girl friend of Perry Raymond Russo, star witness in the probe, was supposed to return to New Orleans.

MISS MOFFETT, now Mrs. Lille Mae McMaines, was ordered last Monday to come to New Orleans from her home in Omaha, Neb., to testify before the Grand Jury.

However, it seemed unlikely that she would arrive today, since she has never been served with the court order. Omaha authorities say that she has left the state and cannot be served.

She was arrested two weeks ago in Omaha and freed on a \$1,000 bond after Garrison's office swore out a material witness warrant against her. She was due to appear at a hearing in her behalf next week in Omaha.

UNDER THE bond, Mrs. McMaines was allowed to travel outside the state and did not have to reappear until the hearing.

Andrews was expected to plead not guilty to the charge as he did to the earlier indictment.

In all probability, the arraignment will be a routine procedure, in which Andrews may or may not waive the reading of the verbose indictment, plead not guilty and ask for time to file pleadings in the case.